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INCREASED CEREBROSPINAL FLUID LEVELS OF NERVE GROWTH FACTOR

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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2003.

Claims stand subject to restriction under 35 USC 121 for allegedly lacking unity of invention in accordance with PCT Rule 13.1. According to the restriction, election is required from among invention Groups I-VII.

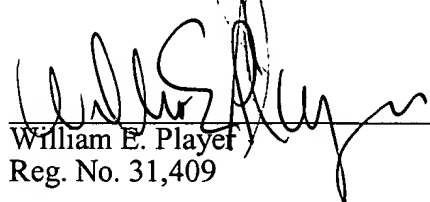
Pursuant to the restriction requirement, election is made, hereby, to prosecute invention Group I, claims 1-21.

Favorable action is requested.

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